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CHAPLAIN: Prayer read.

SPEAKER: Roll call.

CLERK: Mr. President Senator Fellman and DeCamp ask to be excused today, and Senator whoops

SPEAKER: Are there any objections to their absence. Hearing none so ordered. Have you all indicated your presence. Please punch your green button. Thank you, the Clerk will record.

CLERK: Quorum present Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Thank you.

CLERK: Mr. President Senator Frank Lewis asked to be excused on the 20th, 21st, and 22nd.

SPEAKER: Are there objections to his absence at that time. Hearing none, so ordered. Do we have corrections for the journal?

CLERK: None.

SPEAKER: Are there corrections from the floor? If not the journal will stand as correct. Are there Notice of Committee Hearings or Reports on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President Senator Maresh asked to be excused at 10:45 until he returns.

SPEAKER: Are there objections?

CLERK: Committee Hearings, etc., read. That's all Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Are there resolutions on the desk?

CLERK: None Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Any bills for introduction?

CLERK: Yes. Read.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Moylan.

SENATOR MOYLAN: Mr. President and members of the legislature, we had a bill in the banking committee the other day, which, well in the past, we have protected the police and the sheriff, and the firemen, up there, from suits in the line of duty. This would cover the elected officials in the counties whereby the county would have to defend them in case of a wrongful commission, or omission or inadvertent action by them. There was one lady from Sarpy County testified that one of her deputies took in a fraudulent car title which can be done very easily and issued another one and thereby she was assessed over twelve hundred dollars, she had to pay herself. I don't believe these elected officials should be responsible for all those actions, especially in Douglas County with as many titles that they handle and the responsibilities are had. So this would put them in the same class as the policemen, the firemen, the sheriff, and the sheriff's deputies, whereby the county would have to defend them in any suit of not necessarily malfunction of their duties or inadvertently coming in contact with the law or being sued by anyone. I would ask unanimous consent that this bill be introduced into the legislature.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the bill. The Chair recognizes Senator Syas.